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In re application of: R. DEGHENGHI

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**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT**

**Box Non-Fee Amendment**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement mailed on September 29, 2002, Applicant hereby respectfully requests entry of the following amendments and remarks into the record of the above-captioned application.

**IN THE CLAIMS**

Please cancel claims 10-18 without prejudice and amend as follows:

2. (Amended) The peptide of claim 1 wherein the formula is Gly-Ser-Ser(Octanoyl)-Phe-Leu-Ser-Pro-Glu.

3. (Amended) The peptide of claim 1 wherein the formula is Gly-Ser-Ser(Octanoyl)-Phe-Leu-Ser-Pro-Glu-Ala-Lys-Leu-Gln-Pro-Arg.

4. (Amended) The peptide of claim 1 wherein the formula is Gly-Ser-Ser(Octanoyl)-Phe-

5. (Amended) A pharmaceutical composition comprising the peptide of claim 1 in the form of a pharmaceutically acceptable salt.